## LOYAL WOMAN'S WORK

The Household, Conversation Club,

Puzzles, etc.

The Happy Household.

LOVEDAY'S POLISHED HORNS. HAPPY HOUSEBOLD: Boil until the inside bone can be pulled out. Scrape with a piece of glass until the white is all off. Rub with fine sand- or emery-paper; next rub with linseed oil, then with proves them to rub with the hand. A very pretty key-rack can be made by putting hooks on the under side and suspending it by a ribbon,-Loveday K. Petty, North Loup, Neb.

COCCANUT FLOATING ISLAND. HAPPY HOUSEHOLD: In answer to Ellen B. Leach's request I send the following: Floating Island .- One quart of sweet milk; boil. Stir in the beaten yolks of six eggs, two tablespoon fuls of white sugar, and flavor to taste. Stir until it thickens. Pour into a wide, shallow dish. Beat the whites of the eggs to a stiff froth, sweetening and flavoring slightly. Spread the frothed eggs amouthly over the boiling custard. Grate loaf sugar over the top, and over that grated coccanut. Bet the dish in icewater, and serve cold as possible. -Lucy J. Finstra, Galesburg, Ill.

Floating Island with Jelly,-One quart of sweet milk put over hot water to heat; whites of six eggs beaten stiff and laid on the milk until cooked. Remove to a platter. Beat the yolks with three tablespoonfuls of sugar. Pour hot milk over them instead of putting the eggs into the milk, and there will be no danger of the naik curdling. Flavor to sult; stirtill cooked through. Turn into custard dish. A silver spoon in the glass dish will prevent its breaking. Put the whites on top, and serve with a bit of jelly on each dish at table.-Sophia A. Wunker, Terre Haute, Ind.

CORNSTARCH FLOATING ISLAND. HAPPY HOUSEHOLD: Beat the yolks of two eggs and sidd three tablespoonfuls of cornstarch, dis-solved to a cream with milk. Have ready a pint of hot milk on the stove, and stir the egg in slowly, stirring all the time till it thickens. Fiavor with vanilla and pour in a dish. Place a shallow pan with boiling water on the stove. Beat the whites of the eggs until they pile, and then dip, a spoonful at a time, into the boiling water. Cook a minute ortwo, remove with a skimmer, and place little islands over the cream. - Mrs. M. Williams.

HAPPY HOUSEHOLD: I have found all these recipes excellent: Dol's Soft Gingerbread .- One-half cup molasses one-half cup lard, one-half cup sugar, one egg, one tenspoonful soda, two tenspoonfuls ginger, onehalf con warm water, flour to make batter, Lizzie's Fried Cakes .- One cup sugar, three ta blespoonfuls meited butter, four eggs beaten in one at a time, one cup sour milk, one teaspoonful sods, one nulmeg, two and a half cups flour; roll

INEZ HAS PROVED THESE.

Dora's Cheap Spange Cake.-Two tablespoonfuls water, two temspoonfuls baking powder, two eggs beaten whites and yolks separately and very light, two thirds cups sugar, two cups flour; flavor to taste. Try it.—Inez Woodruff. Editor's Chat.

Many thanks, Meda and Inez, for dainty gifts, and all the C. C. who send loving holiday greetings, and they are legion. Hope all are brighter and better for the heart-cheer that comes with the

If G. M. Edmonson will address the editor of The Writer, Boston, Mass., he can secure all the information he wants concerning manuscript for publication in book form or otherwise.

Happy New Year" gilded cards reach the to the friends of the C. C. I dearly love to read, W.R.C.,) and from Sarah E. Milham, Department President of Minnesota, Headquarters St. Paul. These pretty souvenirs of F., C. and L., are fully appreciated and greetings returned. The same of

Lakeside Hall, Indiana avenue, Chicago, on the evening of Jan. 3, for which the Editor acknowl- | bins, Durand, Wis. edges a handsome invitation card. If math Killam will send her Christmas article early this year it will be published. F. W. Combs, Dallison, W. Va., writes: "I think

my C. C. badge extra fine; it is one of my most One of the brightest of our C. C. boys, Amos

Scaman, of St. Louis (formerly "Amos Keeter"), has charge of the advertising department of Our Paper, published by his Sunday-school class and showing much enterprise on the part of all One of the prettiest spaces, now that it is filled, of the C. C. album, is devoted to "Magnolia," o

Fan Antonia, Tex., and her daughter. "Maguolia desires all THE TRIBUNE readers to know she belongs to the mothers and not the misses. name of her State with request for exchange, Viola Muzzah, Box 27, Crown Point, Ind., who was to follow in "Our Annie's" steps on New Year's Day, would like if all the C. C. would send her postar autographs for a C. C. album. She thanks Meda Plympton and E. M. Tinkham for cards received. Best wishes of the Editor and all

the C. C. attend Viola's entrance into the state of List of unsigned answers this week from Attleboro (no State), and Decatur, Iti., and consequently no credit can be given the senders. By-and-by they will claim that the Editor has neglected them.

Remember, siways give town and State, and do not forget to sign your name to everything you while Meda Plympton played on the plane. Puler of the Club .- 1, Write briefly. 2. Write only

on one side of the paper. 3. Write to the point, 4. Wine on one subject, 5. Write your best, 6. Send answers to all puzzles for use of Editor. Each week the names of those writing the best lettersstyle, composition, spelling, penmanship and general ment considered-will be named at the head of this colomn on the Honor Roll. First honor will include all of these requirements. Second honor will include a deficiency in some one point. No others will be named.

HONOR ROLL-BEST LETTERS. First Honor-Bessie G. Race, Fort Wayne, Ind. Second Honor-Charles Kuhl, Stewardson, Ill. SEAECHEES AND SOLVERS.

Minnie C. Bowlsby, Winterset, Iowa, 6; Arthur O. Sisson, Redfield, Dak., 1; U. S. Thompson, Tower City, Pa., 7; G. Norman, Logan, Iowa, 8; Minuse R. Bushey, Holmesville, O., 6; Kate Kriseler Collins, Brighton, Mich., 21; Co. C, 4th Vt., 11; H. G. Burgers, Surprise, Neb., 4; Mrs. C. A. Guider, McGuffey, O., 4; Gertrude and Maude Smith, Juda, Wis., 7: Irven Williams, Red Bridge, Ind., E. M. Tinkham, Springfield, Mass., 6; Charles W. Gast, Chaton, Iowa, 3; Inez M. Humbert, Ill. 4; George R. Lugton, North Topeka, Kan., 4; J. D. Judd, Louisburg, Wis., 2; Evelyn M. Pettit, New Lisbon, O., 5; Charles T. Straight, Pawtucket. R. I., 11; Annie L. Williams, Saugus, Mass., 11; Hattie L. Goodsell, Morgan Center, Vi., 5; T. B. Anderson, Woodland, Itl., 4; Emma Bixler, Rogers, Kun., 4; Maggie L. Hover, Madalin, N. Y., 14; W. F. Voiz, Bazaar, Kan., 4; Mamie O. Hyer, Springfield, 12; James E. Alger, Swampscott, Mabel C. Giddings, Thornton's Ferry, N. H., 16; Rebecca J. Hutson, Scotland, Ind., 1; Wm. H. Warriner, Idaho City, Idaho, 11; Edgar L. Stevens, Gosben, Wy. T., 6; Mrs. M. Williams, Deonsville, 5; Helen Osborne, Lansingburg, N. Y., 3; E. S. Perkins, Natick, Mass., 7; Kate B. Robbins, Durand, Wis., 1; Mamie C. Burke, Rosebank,

OUR BOLL CALL-GREETINGS. Wallace H. McCormick, Ransom, Ill.; Irven Wil-Hams, Red Bridge, Ind.; W. S. Moore, Pleasant Hope, Mo.; Florence Adams, Lovelton, Pa.; anche Dering, Boiling Springs, Pa.; Alma D. Muir, Blairsvide, Pa.; Grant Garner, friend of the veterans, Taintor, Iowa; Ida Morgan, Flandreau, Dak., daughter Co. A. 4th N. Y. Art.; C. L. Jordan, St. Joseph, Mo.; Frederick Rhynsburger, Orange Pa.; Georgie N. Cothern, Parkersburg, W. Va., daughter Co. H. 3d W. Va. Cav.; Dorothea Wad- H. Hotham, Edmund street, Pittsburg, Pa. dington, Benton City, Mo., veteran's daughter, home from school at Quincy: W. S. Round, Pratt, Ill., Syivia Shutt, Gary, Dak., veteran's wife; Helen Osborne, Lansingburg, N. Y., granddaughter of a veteran; Nellie Willard, Lisbon, Me.; Frank Pugh, Elk Garden, W. Va.; Minnie Buens, Ocean Side, Cal.; Hattle E. Hoyt, St. Johns, Ore. Riverside Lodge, No. 522, Good Templars; Charles A. Goodrich, Boulder Valley, Mont.; Agnes Wal-ker, Pompey Center, N. Y.; G. Roberts Rogers, Millord, Iowa, son Co. I. 21st Iowa, S. of V.; Willard E. Bryce, Emerson, Neb.; Walter D. Keronis, Newton, Mont.; Henry H. Wulfert, Jefferson City, Mo.; C. C. Edwards, Hawlins, Wy. T., son Co. A, 6th Ill, Cav.; Mary Green, Garnett, Kan.; May Combs, Hanoverion, O., soldier's daughter, introduced by Frank W. Combs, Dalison, W.Va.; Meda Clayton, Bryson, Tex.; H. L. Marsh, 728 Main street, Kansas City, Mo.; Max Boettcher, North Liberty, Ind., son Capt. Boetteher; Roscoe L. Whit-man, Reporter Argus, Albany, N. Y. Total, 5,384.

GRACIE'S CHAIR FUND. List of contributors to chair fund up to Dec. 21: Homer McFeely, Rushville, Ind., 10 cents; Harry Fox, 56 cents; Elia and Everett Fox, 25 cents also best C. C. autograph.-W. S. Moore, Box 54, each, Franklin Springs, Pa.; Ed. Randolph, Cameron, Neb., 20 cents; Elin B. Brown, Buffale, N. Y., three years old, who sends it from her pennies, 10 Glove fliritations for handkerchief fliritations,—cents; Bruce Smith, Newman, Ill., 25 cents; S. G. Minnie C. Bowlsby, Winterset, Iowa, Imperial V., a veteran's wife, Oakley, Me., \$1; A California friend, 10 cents; Marion Grow, Springfield, Vt., 10 cents; Miss A. E. Zinn, Bolivia, Ill., 10 cents; Hattle Stevenson, Wellsville, O., 50 cents; Frank McFeely, Rushville, Ind., 19 cents; Lilla Chandler, Melrose, Mass., 20 cents; H. W. Ireland, Blue Earth City, Minn., 10 cents. Total, \$3.85. Gracie's chair will be late for Xmas, but hope she will keep up good courage. We have about \$30.-Annie Williams, Saugus, Mass.

PROPERTIES OF THE MANDRAKE. FRIENDS OF THE C. C.: To Charles E. McVay's question I would reply that the mandrake is a perennial European plant, with a spindle-shaped root, which is often forked beneath, and has been compared to the human figure. The root was once supposed to possess magical virtues, and was used as an unmiet to promote fecundity, a superstition still cherished by the vulgar in some parts of Europe. It is a poisonous narcotic, similar to beliadones. It is said to have been used by the ancients as an anesthetic in surgical operations, and has been recommended externally in scrofula and

cancer.-William F. Frank, Camp Poplar River, The story of Leah and Rachel and the mandrakes will be found in the 30th chapter of Genesis.-George R. Achar, 48th Ohio, Wilmington, O.

for best essay.

Cleveland, O.

Letters with the C. C.-Nellie M. Grove, Alstad,

NEW YEAR'S GREETING. I wish, for each and all of you, a happy, glad New For all the Happy Household and the C. C. mem-May comfort, peace and plenty fill every loyal home: May angels guard the footsteps of all who chance

Let us all unite together to hail the glad New And greet THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE with a rousing, We'll wish its loyal Editors of rarest gifts the best; O may they never never pass one moment com-

-Flora A. Conner, Charles City, Ind. SYMPATHY WITH THE SORROWING. I was glad to a Ada Stevens's letter about Mrs. Clapper, of Vermoat. I visited her and can say she was a happy Christian. Her delight in the gifts and letters of the C. C. would have done you all good.-Mrs. L. E. Foss., Evansville, Vt. I can deeply sympathize with all in affliction, pecially Hattle Goodsch, as I lost my dear mother last Summer, after an illness of 10 days. She was conscious until a short time before her death, and while sorry to leave her husband and two daughters, she was willing to go. How lonely our house is none can know who have not lost a blessed mother.-Ida Morgan, Flandreau, Dak. Sympathy with the sorrowing : Frank W. Combs, Dallison, W. Va.; Incz Woodruff, Biack Hawk, Colo.; W. F. Voiz, Bazaar, Kan.; Anna V. De Lun, Middle Sprite, N. Y.; Edith E. Miller, Neills-

C. C. FRIENDS IN MASSACHUSETTS. FERENDS OF THE C. C.: On this levliest of Christmas Days, warm as Summer, I will tell you of how met several Thibune friends. A little more than a week ago I was in Lynn, and thought I'd call on Nina Ballon. I found the house, rang the bell; a dark-eyed lady came to the door. I asked if Nina Ballou lived there and if she was in, whereupon she said she was Nina. I then made known my name and received a warm welcome. It was one of the pleasantest calls I ever made. A few evenings after that I met several TRIBUSE admirers at ur W.R.C. meeting, They came from Melrose. One of them, a soldier's daughter, has long wished to become a member of the C. C. Let me introduce you to Miss Lilla Chandler, dear friends, whom you will like I know and make welcome The President of their Corps heard us talking of The National Tribune, and asked me if I knew Annie Marsh. She was surprised to learn she had been talking to her for some time. Mrs. Chaudler was also there. We had a very pleasant time. Melrose joins Saugus on the west and Lynn is east of us; was once a part of Saugus. I live about three miles between Nina and Lilla, so you see we will be neighbors, and I hope may meet often.-Annie L. Williams, Saugus, Mass.

THE NEW YEAR'S REVIEW. Compare the C. C. of to-day with the C. C. of last New Year's, and you will see a great change for the better. It has advanced splendid ideas, been the means of making a long hour short, and giadened the hearts of many a soldier's orphan. Such workers as Meda Plympton, Annie L. Williams and others have done a good work. But, boys, you must come to the front; let us still hold our own. -Mars Kappoo, Paola, Kan.

The Conversation Club is indeed a valuable and very interesting feature of THE NATIONAL TRIB-UNE. Through it many happy acquaintances are formed, and a great deal of varied and important knowledge acquired.—L. Jay Enders, M. D., Pa.
I have long been an interested reader of THE NA-TIONAL TRIBUNE, especially the seventh page, and think the C. C. has made a grand improvement during the past year. Why is it so few girls and boys from Pennsylvania are among its contribu tors?-Bianche Derland, Boiling Springs, Pa. As my father has taken THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE for so many years, and regards it as such a great riend. I think it a duty to express congratulations

Waddington, Quincy, Mo. I have read with great pleasure your numerous letters, embracing so many interesting and instructive topics; have rejoiced with the happy ones and sympathized with those who are bereaved. Alall the sweet messages, in black and white, from | though silent so long, it is because of the consciousness of my inability to occupy the space of some Abraham Lincoln Post, No. 91, and Abraham of the more brilliant members. Let the good work acoin Corps, No. 108, held a joint installation at | go on. Let none of our old friends leave, but may

mny of the long-absent ones return.-Kate Rob-A CHRISTMAS-EVE DREAM. DEAR FRIENDS OF THE C. C.: The night of Christmas eve I had a very pleasant C. C. dream, which I would like to tell you about. It was on a Christmas night, and a merry group of boys and girls and assembled in a large and brilliantly-lighted hall, at one end of which stood a beautiful Christmas tree. The tree was a handsome evergreen, liled with ornaments and decorations of every de scription. An exclamation of delight broke from the company at the sight of the tree. After viewing the many objects of beauty that adorned the room, and engaging meanwhile in a social converation with each other, the distribution of the gifts began. This was done chiefly by Mamie I. Carr, Eva T. Pryor, Nelia Hampton and Annie Walter, who performed their part with as much ease as hough the duty came naturally to them. Every rember present received a handsome present, and

ie absent friends some elegant and costly gifts.

The Eduor was presented with a pretty brooch set in turquoise. After the distribution of the gifts supper was anounced; such a supper as it was. It would take too much space to describe the beautiful articles that adorned our C. C. Christmas table. The rest of the evening was spent in music and recitations, and a brilliant essay was read by our Editor, to the delight of all present. Nellie Goss, Mamie E Conklin and Minnie A. Preston recited some very pretty poems of their own composition. Josie Stephens and "Hoosier Erunet" sang a solo, Among G. L. Gilmore's accomplishments was that of music. He played on the harp with wonderful skill and feeting. David E. Holienbaugh, Frank E. Galpin, Clarence W. Bowers and George S. Ford were able to please the tastes of everyone, as they are skillful performers on the violin. Besides music, there was pleuty of talk in the circle, in which Nina Ballou, John James, Frances Wilson and Nathan Hale were usually foremost. Oh, wimt a merry Christmas it was, and what a de-

lightful time we were all having. I had just entered into a conversation with Mabel Musser and some others, when sister Gertrude woke me from my peaceful slumber. How surprised I was to find t all a dream. - Bessie L. Race, 18 North Cass St., Fort Wayne, ind.

CLUB WHISPERS. Methinks I hear the bugles blow, Resound from hill and dale; Well, what's the matter?" Don't you know? The tale I now will teil, It is the summons for recruits To join the grand C. C.,

And they are coming, bet your boots. Come, give them three times three, -George E. Hounson, Glenwood, Mo. Only those who have been accustomed to THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE, and are obliged to go without it for a long time, know how delightful it is to again scan its columns. I have found time since I returned from Minnesota to read all the C. C columns which I have missed, and send sympathy for the sorrowing, best wishes for all .- Edith E. Miller, Neilsville, Wis. Karl is rather hard on the girls. A little more

oid saving-A man may work from sun to sun. A woman's work is never done.

-Annie M. Frank, Turtle Creek, Pa. In Grassy Cove Academy we had a debate on the question "Resolved, that nature is more attractive than art." I took the affirmative, and hope the C. C. will agree with me.-Mirta M. Manning, Grassy Nina Ballou desires Annie Weston to know she

is not a Catholic, but a Methodist preacher's daugh-New Year's greetings to the C. C.: Henry H. Wulfert, Jefferson City, Mo.; Alice Hilliker, St. Johns, Mich.; Frank W. Combs, Dallison, W. Va.; Jess Bates, Clinton, Ill.; Wils A. Reynolds, Paola. Kan.; Mrs. L. E. Foss, Evansville, Vt.; Mamie Conklin, Farmingdale, R. I.

What they all think: That the C. C. should con-City, Iowa, son Co. A, 15th Iowa; Lizzie McKenzie, tribute to the Logan Momumeut Fund, and par-Springfield, O., veteran's daughter; Neilie M. Grove, veteran's daughter, Aistad, Wis.; Jess Bates, Clinton, Itl.; L. Jay Enders, M. D., Enders, W. Va. That the "Blue Juniata" is very pretty. How many of the C. C. know the response?—Hel

TO EXCHANGE-WANTED.

To Exchange: Automatic shading pen and Eclec-tic shorthand book for best offer.—E. W. Kimball, Austinburg, O. Pattern Union undergarment for 10 cents postinge, —Jennie Lock wood, Box 32, Townsend, N. Y. Eight copies Youth's Companion for November number of Scribner's Magazine.—John A. Lytle, Downs, Kan. Rocky Mountain specimen for a year's numbers of Harper's Young People or Youth's Companion.—Robbie W. Hawiey, Box 655, Fort Collins, Colo. White opera-hood, frosted with beads, for sliver dollar of 1844.-Ella L. Palmer, Box 379, Sabetha, Kan. \$20 Confederate bill for best coin, or arrow-head, by March.-W. J. Smith, South Braintree, Mass. Three hedgehog quilts or two Indian arrowheads for a nickel without "cents."—A. S. C. Hill, Johnson, Vt. My cabinet for photograph by February 1; wanted, "On Buena Vista's Bloody Field."—Fannie L. Church, Box 18, Sherburne, N. Y. Package story papers or two arrowheads for a nickel without "cents."-E. E. Hill, Johnson, Vt. Indian relies, rattlesnake rattles, price list old coins, for best offer.—I. M. Denning Leoti, Kan. Political History for best photograph Bolivar, Mo. Shells for Indian or war relies; letters with the C. C.-W. M. Bartlett, Dempster, N. Y. German pansy seed for eight cents.-W. S. Pardee, Box 353, Allegau, Mich.; Lincoln's Monument quilt pattern for 25 cents.—Mrs. Maria J. Hains, invalid wife of 75th Ind. veteran, Osborn, Mo. Fifty advertising cards, interesting varieties, for two and a half yards of any pretty goods, cotton, gingham or sateen; write for particulars.—Max Boettcher, Box 6, North Liberty, Mo. Prizes Awarded: Joseph Beller, Millersburg,

James W. Lauterman, Wetzell, Mich., to Olive L. Race, Fort Wayne, Ind., for best photograph; When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria, When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria, When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria,

When she had Children, she gave them Castoria,

Pa., to M. A. Preston, Charlotte, Mich., for best

postal autograph; W. G. Smith to A. L. Schlosser, Castle, Mont., for minerals, and Luclia Cone, best

autograph; Dan T. Edwards, Rawlins, Wy. T.

to Maurie L. Best, Stoneham, Mass., a C. C. badge;

Nellie L. Frantz, Avoca, Iowa, to Arthur Sinclair, Prizes Offered: For largest collection stamping patterns by Feb. 1—Alice Hilliker, Saint Johns, Mich. For best photograph and postal autograph.

-Ella Lahman, Staunton, Ohio. For best postal autograph by Feb. 14.-Julia Williams, Hawkeye, Some Practical Suggestions for Our Iowa. My picture for best letter from boy or girl by Feb. 1.—Nellie L. Frantz, Avoca, Iowa. For best U. C. photograph.—Bertie Killam, 31 Marion St., Agricultural Readers.

Wis.; Edgar L. Stevens, Goshen, Wy. T., (especially Lydia Day, Meda Plympton and Nina Ballou); Lucy J. Finstra, Galesburg, Ill.; Alice Hilliker, St. Johns, Mich., also postals; Mattie E. Hoyt, St. BEDDING FOR STOCK. chins, Ore., also autographs; Ruth Hortin, Box 95, Albion, Ill., (especially Ruth Killam and Ruth Poliard); E. L. Pike, Box 30, Ipswich, Mass., with those 16, my age; Roscoe L. Whitman, care editorial room Argus, Albany, N. Y., has already exchanged 116 letters with a Chicago C. C. girl, With young gentlemen.—Miss M. L. Burley, Montgom-ery Center, Vt.; William Cottrell, John Meal, Thivener, O. With young ladies.-Grant Garner Taintor, Iowa; Frank Williams, Willie C. Wilkin son, Charles Baldwin, Charles Kuhl, Harry Ingram, Oscar Layton, Frank Diddea, H. D. Giers, Oran Wiers, Ross Voris, Stewardson, Ill.; James Yenger, Ed. Ransford, Elmer Ransford, Will A. l'eager, Graysville, Ind.; Annie Noyes, Emma S. Hyatt, Rexville, Ind.; Frank Pugh, Elk Garden, W. Va.; A. O. Hemphill, Shumway, Ill.; John M. Black, Box 12, Warrior's Mark, Pa.; S. C. Moore, Willard, With daughters Co. F. 17th Iowa.-Emma Bixler, D. of V., Rogers, Ark. With C. C. girls who keep house for their fathers, as I do for mine.

-Aima D. Muir, Blairsville, Pa. With families Co. A, 4th N. Y. Art.-Ida Morgan, Box 180, Flandreau, Dak.; wanted, address medical college admitting women. With girls whose fathers were in Co. D, 14th Ill.—Ida Heimer, Greenfield, Ill. With middle-aged ladies.—Capt. Leach, Braymer, Mo. With some of the Book Circle.-Agnes Walker, Pompey Center, N. Y. From young ladies 16 to 20.

—James Carr, Wetzell, Mich. With Albert Barton,
Port Huron, Mich.—Edith E. Miller, Box 276, Neillsville, Wis. Wanted: Half yard one inch wide ribbon from

each C. C., with name of sender for a friendship cane.—Blanche Derland, Boiling Springs, Pa. Address of Thomas Ryan, drummer boy, 42d N. Y.-J. A. Dudgeon, Arapahoe, Neb. To purchase or exchange old newspapers of the war; also battleleid relies.—Charles Burmeister, Frankfort, Mich. To know why Elia Phelan, Meda Plympton and Emmett Searcy do not reply, and if Itez Bogart, Exeter, Fla., will write me.-Grace A. Smit Horburt, Ind. All to know I have quilt and lace patterns fer sale. - Ella Labman, Staunton, O. To thank the donors to my dental museum for skulls of animals, woods, fossils, petrified teeth, etc., and would be glad to hear from more; would like a petrified mastoden tooth; write Comrade Dr. Daniel B. Freeman, 400 Drexel avenue, Chicago, Ili. "The Dying Californian." — M. S. Rounds, Pratt, Ill. To know where Montealm is buried.—Jennie L. Harsh, Augusta, O. Directions for painting on velvet or silk.-Effic Buffington, Luctor, Kan. Postal autograph from Willie Brand. -Ruth A. Killam, 31 Marion street, Cleveland, O. To thank Mr. Van Doren for his compliment, and to say how happy we are over a picture received of the 119th N. Y. monument at Gettysburg, with the members present in July, 1888, of whom father was one, around it, -Mamie Conklin, Farmingdale, L. I. To thank the unknown C. C. friend who sent me a nice present.-Charles T. Straight, 103

High street, Pawtucket, R. I. Postal Autographs: Minnie Osmon, Thedford, Neb., soldier's daughter, 16 (second request, will C. C. please respond?); Leoni Norman, Box 30, West La Fayette, O., also letters with young men; Geo. Harmon, Strong, Me., also photographs; Hattie B. Speers, Hawley, Pa.; Dan T. Edwards, Box Bryson, Kan.

The Curious Corner. Answers to questions will not be published within two or three weeks after questions appear. So all will have a chance to send replies and receive honorable mention with the number answered.] West Point is on the Hudson River, site of the United States Military Academy. It is celebrated Editor from Maj and Mrs. H. G. Rogers, Milwau- and spend many happy moments over the letters as the school of American soldiership, and nearly kee, (Past Commander G.A.R. and Past President | from most all parts of the country.-Dorothea | all the leading Federal and rebel Generals were The District of Columbia is directly under the

jurisdiction of Congress, and the people are not voters. Bricklaying is said to be the oldest of the trades, though it is not improbable that masonry ante-The first saw-anvil is said to have been brought to America in 1819.

and the Boston Gazette, 1719, were the first and second newspapers published in America. The first greenbacks were issued when Salmon P. Chase was Secretary of the Treasury, in 1862. Embassador and Minister are synonymous. A resident Embassador is usually called a Minister. 1. Who was known in the British navy as "Foul

Weather Jack "?—Arthur O. Sisson.
2. Where did John Quiney Adams die, and what were his last words? 3. What named California, and for whom?-Frank W. Combs, Dallison, W. Va. 6. What is the meaning of "Civilitas successit

barbarum"?-Inez Woodruff, Shannon, Ill. 7. In what year was Alabama settled, and when admitted into the Union?—Hattie L. Goodsell, Morgan Center, Vt. BIBLE BRIGADE.

The tables of testimony, or the Commandments, were written on tables of stone by the finger of Jerusalem is first mentioned in Joshua, 1:10. The Lord commanded Jonah to go to Nineveh

and warn the people of coming disaster.
Paul exhorted Timothy to "Hold fast faith and a good conscience," and to make prayers for all 1. At whose word did the sun and moon stand still?-Arthur O. Sisson, 2. What is the meaning of Aaron?-Hattie L.

3. What is the meaning of the word Christ, and what would be a better translation?-James M. Alsop, Philadelphia, Pa. 4. When and by whom was the Bible first translated into the English language? How long did it take to complete it?-J. E. Woffle, Sharon Cen-

BRAIN-RACKERS.

[To Containurous: In sending answers name No. of THE NATIONAL TERBUNE in which the puzzle is found. Answers of guessers may be forwarded within a week after receiving this TRIBUNE. Do not make numerical enigmas of your own names. Answers must accompany all puzzles forwarded. ANSWERS TO PUZZLES IN TRIBUNE DEC. 20. Accept and Eat-Banana. A Christmas Tangle-

Christmas comes but once a year, So let's enjoy it while it's here. C. C. Soldier Tangle-

Onward marching, every one a soldier, Fighting for his own dear native land, O'er life's highway, shoulder unto shoulder All should join our happy, happy band. Tangled Relationship-Two persons meet and one says to the other,

Good morning to you, my son"! Why," quoth the other, "you are not my father. Though I'm truly your son.' Answer: Mother and son. Tangled Quotation-"If any man attempts to

haul down the American flag shoot him on the experience would convince him of the truth of the | spot. Little Folks' Hidden Acrostic-Bryant, Phonetic Charade-Advice. A Variable Creature-Boots.

A C. C. Charade—Bay Leaf. Wine Puzzle—Fill the three-gallon keg out of the eight; pour the three into the five; fill the three again out of the eight, and pour two of it out of the three into the five. This will fill the five. and leave one gallon in the three; empty the five into the eight, and the one out of the three into the five. Fill the three again and then pour it to the one in the five. There will be four in the five and four in the eight, each man's equal share. A C. C. Puzzle-Pro Patria.

Young Men's Enigma-Young men likewise exhort to be sober-minded. Two American Statesmen-James Monroe and Thomas Jefferson. Names employed: Jehu, Alexander, Marston, Egede, Spelman, Malachy, Or-Timegenas, Hostentius, Ockiey, Maenus, Arenzoar. Spragg, Jonson, Cachaud, Frasson, Foster, Edwards, Romano, Standish, Osgood, Nasmith.

CONUNDRUM. Why is President Cleveland like a tree?-Mary McSherry, West Burke, Vt. WHAT AM I?

I am the daughter of earth and water, A nurshing of the sky; I pass through the pores of the ocean and shore; Pass through the porce of the Archange, but I cannot die.

—Mabel C. Giddings. BIBLE ENIGMA. I am composed of 19 letters.

My 1, 15, 4, 4 is to relate. 16, 3, 12, 13 is the home of a bird, 2, 5, 6, 9, 15 is an animal 10, 8, 14, 18, 19 is joy. 7, 8, 17 is to spade the earth. 11 is a consonant.

My whole is a Bible quotation.

—Miss M. R. Winter, Hanover, III.

No Need of Comment. PRINCE'S BAY, N. Y., April 1, 1887. My wife was fully relieved. We recommend Compound Oxygen to everyone. J. W. ANDROVATH. We have ourselves used Compound Oxygen.

We confidently recommend it. HOMER A. KING. Of Evangelist and Herald, Springfield, Mass. DARLINGTON, S. C., February 7, 1886. I recommend your Compound Oxygen. SERENA L. DARGAN.

ACHILLES, Kan., April 22, 1887. I have great faith in Compound Oxygen. A. LYLE MCKINNEY. ALMOND, N. Y., May 20, 1887. It is a marvelous remedy. Mrs. J. C. Goff.

We publish a brochure of 200 pages regarding the effect of Compound Oxygen on invalids suffering from consumption, asthma, bronchitis. dyspepsia, catarrh, bay fever, headache, debilnervous disorders. It will be sent, free of charge, to any one addressing Drs. STARKEY & PALEN, 1529 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.; or 331 Montgomery St., San Francisco, Cal.

It is perhaps impossible that animals confined in stables, sheds or other close quarters should not be more or less affected by or contaminated with excrement and foul air, a condition of things that greatly affects their well being as well as diminishes the value of their products. This is a matter that every farmer should duly consider and strive to prevent or remedy for the sake of interest and tidi- of Christ's cure of the leper. We make this ness, if not for that of humanity. He that keeps his stock well above a floor of filth by a would thrive most when comfortable. We have (5:12-16.) seen pigs making slow growth so long as they were kept in filthy, miry peus, take a new start in life, as it were, so soon as their dirty quarters were exchanged for comfortable ones, and this with no improvement in their rations. Indeed, good bedding is the prime help to good

Good wheat or rye straw, perhaps, makes the best bedding, as the large hollow stalks will absorb large amounts of liquid; but straw is not the only substance that will make comfortable bedding for cattle or other stock. Forest leaves are by no means a bad substitute. They are not so good an absorbent, but they make a better manure, and as they are for the most part plentiful and cheap, every farmer would do well to secure in the Fall large quantities of them for this purpose.

Another substitute for straw is sawdust. This is a good absorbent and makes a dry, soft bed. In itself it does not amount to much as a fertilizer, but when saturated with urine it ferments quickly and serves to make land more porous and open, as does sand, to the influence of light and air. In Winter, however, it does not make so warm a bed as straw, but this defeet may be obviated by using it as an underbed, with an upper one of straw or leaves. The straw or leaves so used last much longer, and the air of the stable is kept purer by the greater absorbent qualities of the sawdust beneath.

Straw and sawdust may not be found in all localities, but something like alluvial soil or sod can be; and as these are very good substitutes, they should be used when other substances are not available. This alluvial, housed 185, Rawlins, Wy., prize for the middle number stances are not available. This alluvial, housed of all received by Memorial Day; Meda Clayton, in a dry time, is a good absorbent and adds greatly to the virtues of the manure, being itself rich with saline material. Another advantage in using soil for bedding is that it makes compost daily and the manure keeps in better condition-does not "firefang."

Dry muck is sometimes used for bedding, but it is rather dirty. It is a good absorbent of liquids and gases, but when wet it soils the cattle and gives them anything but a clean, tidy appearance. Neither is it so good a fertilizer as good alluvial soil.

But, after all that can be said of other substances for bedding, most farmers will continue to rely on straw, and as this is usually cheap and abundant, it should be used liberally. And finally, aside from the comfort it furnishes the The Boston News Letter, first issued April 24, 1704, animal and the addition it makes to the store of manure, the increased purity of the air of the stables is alone a sufficient reason for keeping stock well supplied with bedding .- James I. Baird in the Rural Home.

POULTRY HINTS. additional time to recuperate and gain strength. | slighted personally, and would at least have 4. When, where and by whom were the first lead-pencils made? 5. When did the first omnibuses appear in New York?—A. B. Curtis, New reasonable period, feed them raw lean meat If the hens that have molted do not lay after a | feigued great anger. once a day for awhile, giving mashed potatoes

red pepper regularly. The reason that heas | 1:44.) 3. It is unknown how long he had been sometimes begin to lay after pepper is given sick. We do not know his age, name, whether them is because it acts as a temporary stimu- married or not. 4. He fled into Christ's presence lant and promotes the appetite, the hens eating | in a city. This is a surprising fact, since lepers more food, and are thus better able to lay; but | were carefully excluded from within city walls. the pepper soon ceases to be of benefit if it is No wonder that in St. Matthew's account it fed continually. Sometimes by adding salt to says, "Behold there came a leper." He was the food the hens will be benefited, and even presumptuous. He was utterly desperate, tincture of iron in the drinking water promotes | breaking over all legal restraints. (St. Luke, the appetite. A laying hen should have a good | 17:12.) 5. He was polite. Oriental salutations appetite, but must not be overfed.

Straw cut about three inches long is a suitable grains scattered therein, and as no time should be lost we advise all to get in as large a supply as possible, -Mirror,

TESTING CONDITION OF FRUIT TREES. condition of a fruit tree. It says a reliable test for determining the condition of a fruit tree is so simple that it should be universally known. fruiting, it needs better cultivation to enable it growth, or only very low growth, so interferes, Cultivation should begin with growth and close in August, and manure should be applied in Fall or Winter, with preference for mineral and

- Mushrooms are always salable and can be grown in any dark room or cellar that is kept at a temperature of from 50 to 60 degrees. - Ground gypsum or farmer's plaster spread | God-Man. 5. Omnipotence. upon the stable floor will add to the value of | 2. Time required for the miracle to be effect-

the manure, while it prevents the waste and | ed. No time. See "immediately." (V. 42.) nuisance of escaping ammonia. - Clean out the seeds of beans, beets, and peas and put them in woolen bags, with a small | is too great to be mistaken. Then Christ was pheus, Neubauer, Rawlins, Ocellus, Crargrins, piece of gum camphor in each bag. Hang the desirous the man should go and present himself

> them up during the Winter. - To break young horses from chewing har- perfectly free from any leprous germ ness or anything that happens to be near them, soak some old straps with a strong tea made of | goodly number of other persons saw the won-Cayenne pepper and hang them within easy derful deed. It was not done in a corner. reach of the youngsters. This is generally

> - Wood ashes, where available, are the cheapest fertilizer for fruit trees. In their absence, bone manure three parts and muriate of potash (German salts) of high grade one part, have gatherings. 2. On other sick tolk? Hearing the strong indorsement of the Massachusetts of the cure, they sought Christ or were carried Agricultural College.

snow stays all Winter that is the best mulch; next comes coarse litter of any kind. Leaves | passion. Sin is a disease. It is often compared won't answer, as they pack so closely as to to the leprosy. Jesus is our Great Physician. smother the plants. - When a horse comes in with snow in his from our sins. shoes, knock it out with a hammer before putting him up, and rub the hair dry around his

result from inattention to this. no doubt, but to empty one's crib of corn and | comfortable quarters.

-The day when the overgrown porker of 500 or more pounds was the ideal of a perfect | We are full of sin. (Isa., 1:5, 6.) Our Savior market animal is happily past, and the pig of | has put both his hands on the cross in sympafrom 112 to 168 pounds is always in fair de- thy, to touch us and to reach salvation out to mand, and if well bred and well fed will bring | us. the very best price when sent to market. - As about four times as many bushels of Christ. He is the Physician of the soul. (Ps., sweet potatoes can be raised on an acre as corn, 33:9.)

butter. Ayer's Hair Vigor, for dressing the hair and | for a moment spiritual cure.

SUNDAY MEDITATION. Practical Duties Taughit by a Study of the Inter-

national Sunday-school Lesson Appointed for | ting his sin-sickness. Jan. 20. St. Mark, 1:35-45. [One reading these notes should first carefully study the paragraph from the Holy Scriptures as

indicated above. SUBJECT: CHRIST'S FIRST CURE OF A LEPER. Our Savier was about to start out on an extended missionary tour along with his Disciples. As a preparation he sought privacy for prayer. (V. 35.) Then he went into a number of the towns of Galilee teaching the people. (V. 38.) Where he could do so he met his hearers in their synagogs. (V. 39.) The Disciples could not think of being separate from him, and so he invited them to accompany him. (V. 38.) This was Christ's first tour for mission purposes. We are specially interested in a particular incident which occurred during this circuit of preaching, to wit, in the miracle

This is our Savior's sixth specific miracle. It liberal use of straw or other bedding, will need of the afflicted doing their part toward kindly add to their comfort and greatly en- restoration. It shows mortals should help hance his profits arising from them. If the themselves as much as possible, and not throw reasonableness of a thing can teach one any- all labor and responsibility on God. Besides the account given by St. Mark, one should read thing, then one should learn that animals the reports of St. Matt., (8:2-4,) and St. Luke,

1. Time.

This miracle was performed probably in February, A. D. 27-1,861 years ago. Christ was in his 32d year of life and the second year of his ministry. He had been at work since his baptism, which took place one and one-half years before.

2. Place. St. Luke says, (5:12,) "When he [Christ] was in a certain city." Verse 45 of St. Mark's account refers to Christ's exit from said city. The Comprehensive Commentary says it was Capernaum. Benson agrees. Dr. A. Clark says it was Bethsaida in Galilee or Chorazin. No one knows. We remember our Savior had set out on an extended tour, and this miracle occurred somewhere in the route.

3. The Miracle Worker. The miracle was performed by Christ, He came as the Messiah. The people demanded proof, and Jesus attempted to convince his hearers that he was not an imposter. It had been prophesied in the Old Testament that when the Messiah appeared he would do wonderful acts. Hence miracles became a needful credential. We notice the following facts as to Christ's relation to the miracle: 1. A confirmed leper came to him, full of leprosy. 2. Christ pitied him-had compassion on him. Jesus is always very tender in the presence of distress. 3. Christ put forth his hand. We do not know which hand. He touched the leper. That was a very unusual act. Persons kept away from all contact with that foul disease. It was great condescension on the part of Christ. The Mosaic law forbade one to touch a leper. But Christ would evidently not be infected by a touch which could remove the leprosy. Touching the leper would inspire the afflicted man with confidence in his cure. He thus knew he was touchable, a fact not true were he yet un-Christ touched him, and Christ's touch was for | Soldiers' Home in Indiana. There is one very the purpose of showing the man he was no pear at Dayton O longer a leper. Jesus bore our sicknesses, and seemed to stretch out his hand to snatch them from us. (St. Matt., 8:17.) 4. He prenounced the man clean. There is power in Christ's word. He has authority. 5. He required temperary silence on the part of the cured leper. 6. He required the recovered man to be inspected by the priest and to offer for his cure the proper ceremonial gifts. 7. He recognized the authority of Moses. 8. He conformed to the legal ceremonial law of the Jewish economy. 9. He gave evidence of his Messiahship. Curing lepers was one proof. (St. Matt., 11:5; 10:8.) 10. He showed great wisdom in telling the man to go to the priest, a. Had he said nothing to the cured man about going to the priest the Jews If the hens have fluished molting they may would have charged him with being indifferent not lay for awhile, as it is sometimes the case to the Mosaic law. b. Moreover, in such case that a hen is debilitated and requires a little | the priest would have claimed he had been |

4. The Patient.

We notice the following as to the afflicted man: thickened with ground oats, with a head of 1. He was full of leprosy. His was a very bad cabbage to pick over during the day. A little | case of a most distressing disease. 2. He was a ground ginger once a day will invigorate them. Jew. This is clear from the fact Christ re-There is no real benefit derived from feeding | quired him to go to the priest. (St. Matt., were excessive and to us quite silly. (Gen., Litter, if the hens can find no grass or coarse | 18:2; 23:7, 12; St. Matt., 18:26, 29.) "Worfood, is sometimes eaten by them, and the re- | shiped" (St. Matt., 8:2), and "fell on the sult is crop-bound. Sawdust is a material that | face" (St. Luke, 5:12), and "kneeling," in St. | tion of the law. hens will often pick at until they fill their | Mark's account, are similar in meaning. Neither | crops with it, and the dried hay or grass of the relates to religious worship. Politeness in nests will be picked over for the same purpose. | the East was measured by the exaltation of the party approached. This man's great etiquet material for a scratching litter, but nothing showed profound regard for Christ. 6. He was highest paid as pension. Answer. The President equals leaves. A stock of leaves will give the very earnest. He pleaded for cure. He rehens plenty of work to do hunting for the alized his condition, and really meant his prayer. 7. He recognized Deity in Christ by United States. the fact he believed Jesus had power to work a miracle. This was a special recognition of Omnipotence. He had faith Christ could, The New York Tribune shows how to test the and only doubted as to whether he would. Grand faith! None before had ever been cured by Christ of leprosy, and hence the man's faith | given the obstructions usually placed in front of had no example for a precedent. S. Auxious It consists in merely looking at the ends of the | as he was for remedy, he yet submitted his will shoots over the top of the tree. If the season's to that of Christ. He virtually said, "O Lord, new growth is less than six inches in a bearing | make me clean if thou wilt." 9. He was tree, or less than a foot in a young tree not yet | cleansed at once. Kneeling a leper he rose with flesh as of a babe. (Compare 2 Ki., 5:14.) 10. to yield fair fruit. If tall grass or rank plants | He was charged to report at once to the priest, have been growing within the sweep of its | so as to secure a certificate of his cure and branches and two or three feet beyond, their | thus be able to regain social privileges. A leper | ity of the claimant to promptly furnish the necesentire suppression will be sufficient. If no was debarred any entrance into society and ordered to keep out of the city, away from the soil may need manure. Over-vigorous people. The cured man was also required to growth, or growth continued so late as not to | go to Jerusalem and offer the sacrifices degrowth, or growth continued so late as not to go to Jerusalem and offer the sacrifices de-have fully ripened before frost comes, is a danger, manded by the Mosaic law of those declared to and trous-de-loup. The first-named is an obstrucbe free from leprosy. 11. He was charged to keep silence for the time being as to his cure. Christ had reasons for such requirement. The simple carbonaceous manures rather than nitro- | man, however, did not obey, but made the cure public as possible.

5. The Cure. 1. Causes? 1. Prayer. (V. 40.) 2. Faith. 3. Compassion of Christ, (V. 41.) 4. The hand of Jesus, the touch of the sympathetic

3. Proofs? The man was cleansed. The change from a leprous condition to soundness bags in a dry place, and occasionally shake to the priest, submitting to the severe legal tests as to the genuineness of one's claim to be | Relieves Indigestion, Dyspepsia, etc. 4. Witnesses? The Apostles. Perhaps a

5. Effects? 1. On the leper who was cured? He was restored to perfect soundness. He was giad, so glad that he could not keep quiet. He could resume social relations, return to his home, walk the streets of his city, be in public agricultural College.

When the ground gets well frozen is the health. 3. On us? Faith. We read the actual to him, in hopes he would also restore them to health. 3. On us? Faith. We read the actual to him, in hopes he would also restore them to health. 3. On us? Faith. We read the actual to him, in hopes he would also restore them to health. 3. On us? Faith. We read the actual to him, in hopes he would also restore them to health. 3. On us? Faith. We read the actual to him, in hopes he would also restore them to health. 3. On us? Faith. We read the actual to him, in hopes he would also restore them to health. 3. On us? Faith. We read the actual to him, in hopes he would also restore them to health. 3. On us? Faith. We read the actual to him, in hopes he would also restore them to health. 3. On us? Faith. We read the actual to him, in hopes he would also restore them to health. 3. On us? Faith. We read the actual to him, in hopes he would also restore them to health. 3. On us? Faith. We read the actual to him, in hopes he would also restore them to health. 3. On us? Faith. We read the actual to him, in hopes he would also restore them to health. 3. On us? Faith. We read the actual to him, in hopes he would also restore them to health. 3. On us? time to mulch the strawberries. Where the | count of our Savior's deed, and our confidence in his power is inspired. We believe in his com-

1. We should aid the ill. We cannot restore heels and ankles. In order to do this easily, it | to health, but we can comfort. We can have is well to shear off some of the long hair, compassion. We can feel with those in pain. Cracks in the ankles, called scratches, often result from inattention to this.

We can respond to charitable appeals. Say to such as Christ did, "I will." (V. 41.) Care for -Shotes will cost considerably more in Spring | lepers. Build hospitals for them. Assign them

have not a pound of pork to show for it is | 2. In suffering of any kind go to Christ in the highest sort of folly practiced upon the prayer, earnest, full of faith, persistent. 3. Let us be as anxious for the soul as the leper was for the body. Sin equals leprosy.

4. Moral ills can be cured at once. Go to 5. Do not say "if." (V. 40.) Do not doubt their great value as a pork producer is obvious. Both the vines and tubers are greatly relished God's willingness. He is as willing as powerful. by hogs and cattle, and for the latter few things (St. Mark, 9:22.) This is specially true of ity, rheumatism, neuralgia; all chronic and are better for the increase of rich milk and spiritual disease. At times Christ may decline to cure physical complaints, seeing it best we suffer for a little season; but he never defers

promoting its growth. Get Ayer's Almanac. | 6, Confess sin. The leper said, "Canst make | Laundry Works, 420 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.

me clean." He thus admitted that he was unclean. Consciousness of sin is needful to cure. One cannot pray for remedy without admit-

7. Prudence is a duty. See Christ's caution in directing the man to be quiet for the present: again, see it in his keeping away from the city. (V. 45.) Do not have zeal without knowledge (sagacity).

8. Witness for Christ. There is no restriction now. That leper could not be restrained by command, while Christians in these days can hardly be induced to testify even by urgent persuasion. Be open, earnest, Christian-heralders of Jesus, witnesses to the wonderful cures of our famous Physician.

OUR CORRESPONDENTS. Replies to Questions on a Variety of Interesting Sublects.

[To Correspondents.-Write questions on a separate sheet of paper, give full name and address, and mark it "Correspondents' Column." No attention will be paid to communications that are not ecompanied with full name and address of writer. is his first case of leprosy. It illustrates the Our readers are requested to inclose a stamp for reply to their inquiries. Postal cards will be replied to by mail only. Replies by mail will ordiarily be made within a week, and if in this column within three weeks. J. N. W., Boston, Mass.-1. How many troops did

the State of Maine send to the field during the late war? How many regiments of cavalry did she send, and where did the cavalry go? 2. If a cavalry soldier is taken prisoner and his horse is captured, can he recover for it if he drew it from the Government? Answer, 1. The State of Maine sent two regiments of cavalry, one regiment of heavy artillery, three companies of garrison artillery, one battallon of seven batteries of light artiflery, one battalion of six companies of sharpshooters, and 30 regiments and 16 companies of infantry, making a total of 32 regiments, seven batteries and 25 companies. The first regiment of cavalry was organized in November, 1861; the second regiment, in the latter part of 1863. 2. Certainly not; because the Government owned the horse F. R. M., Brooklyn, Wis. 1.-How many years

clapsed after the close of the war of the Revolu the second war with Great Britain, the Mexican war, before a service pension was granted for such wars? 2. What disposition is intended to be made of the Logan Monument Fund? Answer, 1, About 50 years after the close of the war of the Revolution, about 60 years after the close of the war of 1812, and about 40 years after the close of the Mexican war, before laws were enacted granting a service pension for these wars. 2. It is intended to erect a monument to the memory of Gen. John A. Logan with the fund, full accounts of which have been published by us from time to time.

H. R. R., Los Angeles, Cal.-Why is it that men are charged by the Department with unsoundness prior to their collstment, when they must have been sound to enlist? Answer. Under the law a man's soundness is presumed, unless the records show that he was unsound at enlistment. If he was unsound at enlistment, and passed himself off as sound, then the Government holds that his enlistment involved fraud; because if he was unsound he should not have enlisted.

R. A. W., Parson, Kan,-1. What was the pay, including allowances, of First and Second Lieutenants of cavairy during the Spring of 1865? 2. What was servant's allowance for a Lieutenant? Answer. I. In the Spring of 1865 the pay and allowance of a First or Second Lieutenant of cavalry was \$116.83 per month. After April 1, 1865, it was \$120.83, 2, The allowance for servant was \$23.50 per month. J. C., National Military Soldiers' Home, Hampton. Va.-1. Was there any battle fought during the late war to equal the battle of Waterloo in killed and wounded or severe fighting? 2. Is there to be a National Soldiers' Home in Indiana? Answer, 1. The battle of Gettysburg was a greater battle than cleansed. Perhaps the man was cured before know that it is contemplated to erect a National

D. S., Kansas City, Mo.-Has deafness been a

pensionable disability since the war, or only within the last few years? Answer. Deafness has always been a pensionable disability. J. E., Medina, O .- 1. Does a soldier on his entrance to a National Soldiers' Home forfeit his right to receive his pension? 2 Does it revert to him when his connection with the Home ceases?

Answer. 1. No. His pension, according to the laws of the Home, is drawn by the Treasurer of the Home; but it is not applied to the Home, but is held in trust or the pensioner, who, if he is a wellbehaved person, can receive such portion of it as is necessary, or he can divert it for the benefit of a member of his family. 2. Upon leaving the House, of course, his pension certificate is restored to him, and he can then draw his pension in person. D. C., Wellsville, O.-What States can men vote in after one year's residence, and what time of residence is required in the remainder? Answer. One year's residence is required in Alabama, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Louisians, Maryland, Massachusetts, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Those requiring six months esidence are Colorado, Kansas, Indiana, Mississippi, Iowa, Nebraska, Nevada, Oregon. Minne-sota requires four months' residence. Michigan and Maine require three months' residence, and Kentucky requires a residence of two years. G. H. McL., Dennysville, Me. - Is a female a competent witness to a pension voucher? Answer. Yes. C. M., Danville, Va.-I was a prisoner of war for 8 days. Do I come under the provisions of the

confined, and to whom should I apply? Answer. If you were a prisoner of war you come under the provisions of the bill, but the bill has not yet be-J. E., Troy, N. Y .- What should be the length of an arm-stump to entitle a soldier to \$45 a month? Answer. The law, as now construed by the Commissioner of Pensions, provides a rating of \$45 in all cases where the amputation is above the elbow or knee-joint, providing the stump is either too short or too tender to admit of the use of an artificial limb. This is a very just and liberal construc-

bill granting \$2 a day to the prisoners of war while

T. H., Fond du Lac, Wis .- In President Cleveland's message I observe he states that 102 different rates of pension are paid, ranging from \$2 to \$416.66 per month. What does he mean by \$416.66 per month? I thought \$72 per month was the referred to certain special-act pensioners. \$416,66% per month is \$5,000 a year, the pension paid to certain surviving widows of ex-Presidents of the A. B., Stratton, Neb .- 1. How long does it take to complete a pension claim after it goes before the Adjudicating Board? 2. I wrote to the Commissioner of Pensions in September for increase on deafness under the act of Aug. 27, 1888. When should it be granted? 3. What are the names forts to retard the progress of the enemy; such as 'slashion," etc.? What are the obstructions resembling hay-racks? Auswer. 1. The question is not clearly stated. There is no such Board as the Adjudicating Board. The claim is considered while pending by an Examiner in the Adjudicating Division, and when it is considered complete it is submitted to the Boards of Review and Re-review. It is impossible to state how long it will take to

complete any case. That depends upon the abil sary testimony, 2. The claim should have been acted upon by this time. 3. We never heard the term of "slashion." The usual obstructions used to retard the progress of the enemy in front of a tion against infantry, and the second against cavalry. The obstruction which you designate as something like a hay-rack is the cheval de frise. A. L., Columbia, Pa.-1. What day was the first battle of Fredericksburg fought, and who was the Union General commanding? 2. When was the second battle fought? S. When was the "stick-inthe-mud"? Answer. 1. Dec. 13, 1862. Gen. Ambrose E. Burnside. 2. May 1 to 4, 1864 (Chancellorsville), which includes the battles of the Sixth Corps at Fredericksburg, Salem Hights and Marye's Hights. 3. Jan. 19, 1863. Several Subscribers .- The statements in the public press purporting to emanate from Private Dalzell, regarding certain claims said to be due all pensioners, are misleading, and have no foundation in

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fact. There are no such claims in existence. It is

a waste of time to inquire into the article in ques-

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the information, and not to THE NATIONAL TRIB-David H. Mead, Co. D. 31st Ill., Walnut Grove,

Ark., would like to hear from any of his company.

Mich., would like to hear from any comrade or officer of Battery F, 3d N. Y. L. A., or head nurse in fever ward at Fort Schuyler, New York Harbor, in Spring of 1864, (given name Jim,) or the name of to the leprosy. Jesus is our Great Physician. the Doctor employed at that time.—Chas. Rob-He can cure foulest diseases. He can save us erts, Co. E, 2d Wis. Cav., Station B, Los Augeles, Cal., wants the address of any nurse or inmate of Tent 7, General Hospital No. 2, Vicksburg, Miss., from April 20, 1864, to July, 1864.—J. C. Murray, Tallapoosa, Ga., would like the address of any comrade of Harrison T. Cornell, who served in Co. B. 4th Ky.; also the addresses of Waiter Clark, Drum-Major, and Z. O. King, drummer, of 4th Ky., or any one who remembers said Cornell being sick in camp and sent to hospital at Bowling Green, Ky., in October, 1864. - E. D. Church, Jordan, N. Y., would like the address of any members of Co. E. 48th N. Y., who remembers him at Raleigh, or knew him in Raleigh Hospital in 1865.—J. F. Wilson, Warren, O., wishes the addresses of members of Co. G, 77th Pa., who were present at the battle of Pittsburg Landing, April 7, 1862.—F. M. Cart-wright, Co. B. 3d Minn., Pittsburg, Kan., wants addresses of Col. J. B. Hoyett, 3d Minn., and any comrades of Co. B.—J. J. McDorman, Aliceville, Kan., would like to know the address of George W. McDorman, Co. K, 44th Ind,—Charles S, Houghton, Co. L, 3d Mass. H. A., Leominster, Mass., would like to hear from every member of his company, particularly Charles Linton, Cyrus Gross, David Kemp and Edwin P. Jones,—Chas. A. Wright, Clay City, Ind., wants the address of any comrade of Co. K, 2d U. S. Cav., who was in the company in Fall and Winter of 1863 and '64.

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